

REMARKS


The amendments to the specification are made to correct typographical errors and to improve syntax. No new matter is involved.

In amended Fig. 4, the sectioning of component 22 (ring structure 22) is corrected to designate plastic since the ring structure 22 is comprised of molded plastic as described in the specification at page 10, line 27 to page 11, line 7, and as previously shown in Figs. 2, 5, 5A, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17.

Early and favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,


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